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National Night Out 2010 to kick off with celebration on October 5, 2010

Today, APD public safety groups, elected officials and community leaders announced the 27th Annual National Night Out. National Night Out will take place on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 with a kick off celebration from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at "The Grove" at Southpark Meadows, 9300 S IH35.

Neighborhoods throughout Austin are invited to join thousands of communities nationwide to participate in the event which is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support and participation in crime efforts
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community relations
- Send the message that your neighborhood is a safe place to live

Neighborhoods are encouraged to come together and send the message that we are all working together to prevent crime and keep our neighborhoods safe. From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday October 5, 2010 residents are asked to turn on their porch lights, lock their doors and spend the evening outside with their neighbors, police officers, EMS, and fire fighters.

To register your National Night Out block party download an application at <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/police/nno.htm> and submit it by 5 p.m. on September 15, 2010. All applications received by the deadline have a better chance of having their parties visited by a first responder.

For the rest of the nation, National Night Out occurs in August. Since Texas is so hot, the event has been moved to October when it is cooler outside.

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